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In re Application of  
Geoffrey B. Rhoads, et al.  
Application No. 09/476,686  
Filed: December 30, 1999  
Attorney Docket No. 60081

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed September 25, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

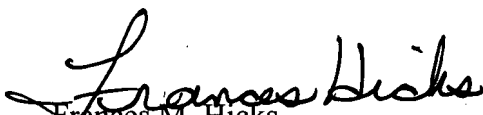
The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely submit an amendment to the specification on or before September 6, 2007, as required by the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency With Specification mailed August 6, 2007. Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is September 7, 2007.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee of \$1500; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency With Specification of August 6, 2007 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to April Wise at (571) 272-1642.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2135 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the concurrently filed information disclosure statement and amendment.

  
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